जिला केन्द्र तथा ताल्लुका केन्द्र के बीच टेलीफोन सम्पर्क

2103. **श्री मिर्जा इर्शादबेग :** क्या **संचार मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने प्रत्येक जिला केन्द्र का ताल्लुक केन्द्र के साथ सीधा संपर्क स्थापित करने के लिये टेलीफोन सुविधा प्रदान करने सम्बन्धी किसी योजना का अनुमोदन किया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या गुजरात में साबरकांठा जिले में विजयनगर-भिलोडा-मेघराज-वायड ताल्लुक अब भी इस सुविधा से वंचित है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो ये सुविधाएं वहां कब तक प्रदान कर दिये जाने की सम्भावना है ?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री राम निवास मिर्धा) : (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) भिलोडा पहले से ही हिम्मत नगर के साथ जुड़ा हुआ है जो साबरकांठा जिले का जिला केन्द्र है। विजयनगर को हिम्मतनगर के साथ जोड़ने का निकट भविष्य में कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है। मेघराज तथा वायड को 1987 के अंत तक हिम्मतनगर के साथ जोड़ें जाने की संभावना है।

Industries in backward areas

2104. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the backward areas, identified by Government under the Backward Areas Scheme with a view to attracting or setting up of industries by granting incentives and subsidies for the development of such areas;

(b) the details of the industries set up by Government during the last 3 years in each of these backward areas as identified by Government; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure that industries set up by Government in the backward areas do not become sick and this scheme becomes more effective besides being attractive?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) 300 districts/areas of the country have been centrally identified as industrially backward details of which are given in the booklet on "Incentives to Industries in backward Areas" read with Press Note No. 14/2/83-DBA-I dated 9.4.1985, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(b) The following Letters of Intent (LOI), Industrial Licences (IL) and D.G.T.D. Registrations were issued for setting up industries in backward areas during the years 1983, 1984 and 1985 (January to September):—

	1983	1984	1985 (Jan. Sept.)
LOI	664	627	578
IL	317	323	348
DGTD Registration	1155	1106	651

Details such as name of unit, location, item of manufacture, capacity etc. are published by the Indian Investment Centre in their Monthly Newsletter, copies of which are available in Parliament Library.

(c) The various incentives schemes like Central Investment Subsidy, Transport Subsidy, Concessional Finance, Tax exemption etc. operating in backward areas are meant to ensure that the units do not become sick.

Kolaghat Thermal Power Station

2105. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited has threatened to suspend the construction work of Phase II of Kolaghat Thermal Power Station of West Bengal State Electricity Board;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the Industrial Development Bank of India is dealing the sanctioning of loan to the West Bengal Power Development Corporation for the construction of the thermal power plant at Kolaghat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMNT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R.K. JAI CHANDRA SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

Disconnection of telephones

2106. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of telephones disconnected during the last financial year, state-wise, with the reasons for disconnection; and

(b) what is the number of telephones restored and the time taken for the restoration of telephones in differnt states, during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) and (b) Telephones are generally disconnected for non-payment of telephone bills and also at the request of subscribers either or safe-custody or final closure of the telephones. The number of telephones disconnected for non-payment during the year 1984-85, state-wise as readily available is furnished in the statement (*see below*).

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the State	No. of telephones disconnected during 84-85
1	Andhra Pradesh	28,962
2	Bihar	25,914
3	Gujarat	41,579
4	Kerala	16,277
5	Karnataka	30,513
6	J & K	11,055
7	Madhya Pradesh	15,404
8	Maharashtra (including Goa)	96,711
9	North Eastern States	7,042
10	North Western States (Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh)	39,949
11	Orissa	6,488
12	Rajasthan	21,307
13	Tamil Nadu (including Pondicherry)	32,910
14	Uttar Pradesh	72,274
15	West Bengal	83,683
16	Delhi	94,889
		6,24,957